in order to provide a relief to the citizens of Mumbai from the routine problems being faced by them due to the population and limited road arrangements in the city;

(b) whether the State Government has submitted a proposal to the Central Government for introducing ferry service in the sea; and

(c) when this proposal was submitted and the decision taken or propose to be taken by the Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI T.R. BAALU): (a) and (b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Problems due to land acquisition at Kundali-Palwal Expressway

2806. SHRIMATI SYEDA ANWARA TAIMUR: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the land acquisition has created problems for the 270 kls. Kundali-Palwal Expressway connecting NH1, 2, 8, 10 and 71 B conceived more than three years ago as the project requires some of the most expensive real estate to be acquired in the entire region;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the manner in which Government propose to sort out the problem?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Construction of by-passes in Jaipur

†2807. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:
DR. PRABHA THAKUR:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that due to congestion of traffic on the National Highway by-passes are required all around the Jaipur city;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(b) if so, by when Government would issue the sanction for construction of by-passes connecting Ajmer-Jaipur road (N.H.8) to Jaipur-Tonk road (N.H.12), Tonk-Jaipur road (N.H.12) to Jaipur-Agra (N.H.11) and Agra-Jaipur (N.H.11) to Jaipur-Delhi road (N.H.8); and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor and details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) to (c) Proposal for construction of by-passes connecting Ajmer-Jaipur road (National Highway 8) with Jaipur-Tonk road (National Highway 12), Jaipur-Agra (National Highway 11) and Jaipur-Delhi (National Highway 8) are under consideration for inclusion in National Highway Development Project (NHDP) Phase-VII which is yet to be approved by the Government of India.

Uniform driving licence

2808. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received a representation from the Road Safety Forum for a uniform driving licence all over the country;

(b) the details of this representation;

(c) the steps proposed to examine this representation and implement this dire need;

(d) whether any clarifications were called for by Government; and

(e) the inhibition to Government to take up such ideas and implement them rapidly?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) In the representation, the need for National Drivers' Licence, a format of driving licence, common test for drivers and computerization of records have been raised.

(c) to (e) The representation has been examined in the Department. No clarification has been called for by the Government.

Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 and Central Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989 contain specific provisions prescribing the procedure for granting the licences,